#### LOCAL NEWS.

CHRISTMAS. -Christmas was observed in this city, and, it is to be hoped, always will be, as a general holiday. Work of all kinds was suspended, and everybody, apparently, did their best to enjoy themselves and afford enjoyment to others. In the morning appropriate services were held in the Episcopal, the Catholic, the German Lutheran, and in the M. E. Churches, the music in all of which was epecially excellent. King street during the whole day was crowded with people of all ages, sexes and colors, all of them with happy faces, and many of them engaged in firing powder-crackers and torpedoes, blowing toot horns, trumpets and mouth-organs, and beating minature drums. Egg-nog, apple toddy, and all sorts of drinks were imbibed freely, and with no serious results; turkeys, oysters and mince-meat pies were indulged in to repletion; Christmas gifts passed about in increased numbers; and a great deal of money was spent, but as it was made solely for that purpose, it fulfilled its proper part, and those who spent it wished they had more to spend.

JANNEY'S CAR COUPLING. - A passenger train, equipped with Capt. Eli Janney's new car coupling invention, made a trial trip over the W. C., V. M. & G. S. R. R. yesterday afternoon. The inventor, some of the officers of the road on which the train was run, a representative of the Pennsylvania Central Railroad Company, an officer connected with the U. S. Engineering Department, and some of the friends of the patentee, were on board, and to all the new invention seemed to fulfil, in an eminent degree, the purposes for which it is designed, to supply a want that has been felt since railroads went into operation, to reduce the expense of running trains by diminishing the number of hands, and to greatly lessen the danger of the hands that are required. On the way back champaigne colivened the party, the sparkling beverage being drauk with many toasts abounding in wit, humor and good feel

A LONG BUT MERRY PASSAGE. -The steamer Lady of the Lake, which left Washington for this city at 12 m on Monday arrived here yesterday afternoon at 1 o'clock. Before reaching the Bay the storm commenced, and the water becoming very rough she put back to Point Lookout, where she lay Monday night and all day Tuesday, leaving there yesterday morning at 5 o'clock. There was a large number of passengers on board, among them ladies, divines, doctors, lawyers and even Congressmen. From a graphic account of the trip, related to us by Mr. J. C. Carroll of this city, we should judge that it was one of the merriest parties a steamer has carried for many a day. Every possible scheme was devised to relieve the tedium of their long waiting and heartily participated in by all .- Norfolk Landmark.

DISTRIBUTION OF WOOD. - The Mayor and the Overseers of the Poor, Messrs. Geo. Dearborn of the 1st Ward, J. L. Smith of 2d, Wesley Avery of the 3d, and B. W. Nalls of the 4th, to whom the distribution of the wood lately purchased by the City Council for the use of the poor of the city has been entrusted, met at the station house this morning for the purpose of making arrangements by which the just and equitable distribution of the wood could be effeeted. The applicants are numerous, and the gentlemen mentioned above are desirous that only those for whom the wood was bought, and to whom it legitimately belongs, and no one cane. else should receive it. be resumed to morrow.

M. E. CHURCH. - There will be preaching in the M. E. Church to-night. Quarterly meeting commeuces to-morrow, when, for the first time in many years, the presiding elder, Rev. Mr. Phelps, will have services the day before Sunday and preach there at 11 a. m. Mr. Phelps will also preach on Sunday.

POLICE REPORT.—The following cases have been reported at police headquarters since Wednesday's issue of the Gazette:

James Lucas, drunk and disorderly, fined and discharged. Thomas Milton, colored, drunk and disorder-

ly, fined and discharged. George Kelley, colored, drunk and disorder-

ly and stealing a cedar post from the front of Mr. Frank Swaine's store, arrested by engineer Young, of the Hydraulion Fire Company, fined and discharged upon returning the post. Patrick Duffey, drunk and disorderly, fined

and discharged. James Williamsand James Clapdore, color-

ed, disorderly conduct, discharged for want of O. P. Patterson, disorderly and firing pow-

der crackers in the streets, fined and discharged. G. A. Goodrich, disorderly and shooting a double barreled shot gun in the streets, fined

and discharged. Georgeanna Day, on complaint of Mary James, both colored, for disorderly conduct,

discharged and costs assessed against complain ant who was the offender. Charles Brown, colored, drunk and disorder-

ly, discharged with an admonition. J. W. Hughes, assaulting a colored boy named George Mason, fined and discharged. Alfred Highbarger, captain of a canal boat, drunk and disorderly, fined and discharged. Carry Whalen and Cecelia Jackson, both colored, drunk and disorderly, fined and discharged.

James Dudley, colored, drunk and disorderly and resisting an officer, fined and discharged. John Bryan, drunk and disorderly, fined and discharged.

Jack Scott, colored, drunk and disorderly, dismissed with an admonition. Gilbert Woolson, drunk and disorderly fined

and discharged. Eddie Meades, drunk and disorderly and assaulting Mary Kane, sent to Work House for

NOTICE TO CITY TAX PAYERS.

The attention of city tax-payers is respectfully called to sections 5 and 6 of the Revenue bill of

1873, which are as follows: Section 5. The Collectors shall make a list of all personal tax bills due and unpaid on the 1st of December, 1873, and shall cause the same to be printed and posted up at conspicuous places in the several wards of the city.

Section 6. The City Collectors shall, on or be-fore the 5th day of January, 1874, return to the Auditor a list of all delinquent tax bills in their hands which there is no personal property to satisfy and which yet constitute a lien on real estate, and shall, after having given twenty days' notice of the time and place of sale, proceed to sell the same, or so much thereof as may be ner cessary for the payment of said taxes, as provided

dec 4-1m S. K. FIELD, Col. South. Dist.

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PALMER'S PATENT JACQUELINE

CORSET.
Dress makers recommend it as being the bes Corset to fit a dress over, because it is cut in such a manner that the front and back seams fit like seams to a dress. It is superior to any other Corset now in use, because its peculiar style of cutting gives sufficient fullness at the bosom, without folding at the top; gradually and close y fitting to, and over the hips; is longer front and back than ordinary corsets; and in fact is the only corset cut in this form For sale by the only corset cut in this form For sale by dec 24 D. F. WITMER CO.

Tuesday, the 23d instant, a large MOROU.

CO POCKETBOOK, containing a small sum of money, an account book and some letters written in German. The above reward will be paid for its return to CHARLES GREDEL, dec 23-21 with Julius Driefus, King street.

Z. TO B R I N E R

VIRGINIA SOAP MANUFACTURE

VIRGINIA SOAP WOR

72 North Union street, Is the best for family use. Try it.

#### LOCAL BREVITIES.

A party of young ladies and gentlemen of the 1st Ward re enforced by a belle of the 4th made a sortee upon their numerous friends in the 1st yesterday afternoon, but were so vigorously assailed with egg-nog, apple toddy and similar ammunition wherever they went that they were forced to return at an early hour in a demoralized condition-in fact so panie stricken that some of the ladies could'nt tell what command they belonged to and the leader mistook the key hole of the lock of the front door for that of the night latch and aroused all the neighbors by his efforts to get in his house.

Charles Buchanan, formerly a colored office boy at the City Hotel, but lately the carriage driver of Mr. Ben. Carter, near Leesburg, while gunning yesterday accidentally shot and killed himself. He had borrowed Mr. Carter's double-barreled shot guu, and while loading one barrel, the other went off, its contents entering his face and carrying nearly the whole top of his head away.

A mule race was run at Opossum Hall op posite this city, yesterday evening, the riders being Mr. D.ck Phillips and a soldier from Fort Foote. Mr. George W. Harrison was judge, referee, stake holder and a heavy better on the mule ridden by Mr. Phillips, which won, though the other made a fool of itself by reaching the stake first.

On the last return trip of the Maryland ferry boat yesterday evening the passengers, who had been at the mule race, having spent all their money, had none with which to pay their fare, and when the Captain refused to take the Confederate note, they offered, they rose and attempted to command the steamer, but did not

Mr. J. S. Blackburn, one of the principals of the Potomac Academy, was presented with a handsome testimonial Christmas Eve, by the debating club of that school. The presentation speech by young Mr. Johnson was neat and appropriate, and was suitably responded to by the recipient.

A brilliant meteor passed over this city, from east to west, early on the night of Christmas Eve, illuminating the whole sky and the earth beneath for a few moments, and exploding some miles west of the city with a report as loud as that made by a bomb shell.

An old colored man named Jim Jackson, was accidentally struck in the face and badly hurt yesterday at the intersection of King and Union streets, with a brick, which some young men were throwing at each other.

The horse belonging to one of the street ears, ran away this morning, leaving the car behind him, however, and was not stopped until he slipped and fell on the sidewalk at the intersection of King and Royal streets.

The Virginia Minstrels gave an exhibition at Harmonic Hall Christmas Eve. After the performance the room was cleared of its seats and those who were present enjoyed themselves for an hour or two in dancing,

Some amusement was created on King street vesterday evening by a party of boys-who rode up and down in one of the horse ears, blowing toot horns with which each one had provided himself.

The station house was filled to its utmost capacity yester lay but mainly with colored people who were disorderly from having drunk

The Jewish Rabbi and teacher of the German school in this city was presented yesterday by his scholars with a handsome gold headed

Dr. Henry, of Farmwell station, W. & O. R. R., presented each of the railroad hands employed on the trains of that road with a fine turkey yesterday.

The store keepers say they sold more valuable articles for Christmas gifts this year than for many previous years, notwithstanding the money panic. The weather to day has been damp, cool and

snowy-excellent for those who had nothing to do, and could sit within doors and keep up Christmas. The steamer Lady of the Lake, due here

from Norfolk Wednesday morning did not ar rive until yesterday morning having been delayed by bad weather.

The Belle Haven Socials will give one of their invariably agreeable dancing parties at Stewart's hall to-night. Captain Ross's little son had his face badly

burned yesterday by the explosion of gun powder, near his father's house on Royal street.

The steamer Pilot Boy which sailed for Cone River this morning will return on Sunday and then lie up for the winter. Attention is directed to the advertisement of

the German Co-operative Building Association No. 2, elsewhere in to-day's Gazette. A colored man upwards of seventy years of

age, William Lyles, the father of one of the Aldermen from the 4th Ward, died yesterday. A colored man named John Brent fell into street yesterday and was badly hurt.

A pigeon shooting took place at Jones' Point yesterday and was witnessed by many specta-

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J. R. Hornbaker's Best Extra.
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NOTICE TO GAS CONSUMERS. Bilis for the quarter ending December 15th, are now ready for delivery. All bills paid by the 1st of January, 1874, will be at the rate of \$3 per thousand; on all bills paid after the first | ed the mischief.

of January ten per cent will be added. dec 22-1w J. ROXBURY, Sup't. dec 22-1 w POTOMAC FERRY CO.

On and after Friday morning next, December 26th, hourly trips of the Ferry Boats between Alexandria and Washington will begin at 8 a. m.; last trip leave at 5 p. m. S. S. HOWISON,

President Potomac Ferry Co. 50 BOXES LAYER RAISINS, whole, half and quarter boxes; also Muscatel, Valencia and Seedless Rusins, all of latest importation, received this day and for sale very low by AVERY & DAVIDSON,

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TELEGRAPHIC NEWS.

SPECIAL DISPATCHES TO THE GAZETTE.]

FOREIGN NEWS.

BERLIN, Dec. 26.-The Emperor William is

much better this morning.

Paris, Dec. 26.—Marshal Bezaine has left Versailles for the island of Sainte Marguerite. MADRID, Dec. 26,-Fourteen thousand republican troops, under command of Gen. Morenes, have left San Sabastian by sea. Their destioation is not known. Gen. Lama, with 3,000

government troops, remains in the city.

A desperate conflict between a band of Carlists and a republican force occurred yesterday before the town of Baycarente, province of Valencia. The insurgents were defeated with a heavy loss in killed and wounded.

The municipal authorities of Madrid have been suspended from office.

LONDON, Dec. 26. - Special dispatches from Cartagena announce that Fort San Julian, one of the strongest defences of the city has been breached. An accidental explosion in Ferrial Battery, yesterday, killed twenty officers and men of the besieging force.

From Key West and Santingo. KEY WEST, Dec. 25.—The torpedo boat Pinta left Key West last night for Havana on a trip of observation. The Kansas, Commander Reed, has arrived four days from Santiago de Cuba. The Canandaigna arrived at Smtiago on Friday, the 19th of December, two days before the Kansas left. All are well on the Kansas and Canandaigua. The steamer San Antonio, from Galveston to New York, reports remarkably rough weather on the gulf. Lieut. Winn, commanding the Pawnee, denies that there is any dangerous fever on that ship. The mortality is small considering the large number of recruits on board from New Orleans. There is no vellow fever in this vicinity. A gale from the northward has prevailed at Key West .-The Dispatch and Mayflower dragged their anchors, but after drifting around the harbor

were finally secured. It is reported by both the Kansas and Pinta that Ralph Keeler, special correspondent of the New York Tribune, left Santiago de Cuba on the steamer for Batasano about ten days ago. At Manzanillo he was missing, though his baggage was still on board. Not having been heard from on the 21st instant it is feared some scrious accident has befallen him. All was quiet at Santiago de Cuba when the Kan-

NEW YORK, Dec. 26. - A Key West special says an outbreak was threatened at Santiago de Cuba on the 18th inst., when the American consul displayed his flag on his hotel. The citizens insisted that the hotel was not the consulate. The flag was finally taken down.

Crime.

NEW YORK, Dec. 26. - James Gallagher, of 30 Pearl street, Brooklyn, returned home drunk early this morning, assaulted his wife, dragged her from her bed and threw her down a second flight of stairs. Supposing he had killed her he returned to his room, took an Enfield rifle and shot himself in the stomach, inflicting a wound, from the effects of which he died in forty-live minutes. His wife was severely, though not dangerously injured.

There were a number of fights and stabbing affrays here yesterday, but no one was killed, though one or two persons, it is thought, are dangerously hurt.

DORCHESTER, ONT., Dec. 26.—During a drunken row, yesterday, between colored and white men, one of the latter, named bell, was stabbed and killed.

Boston, Dec. 26. - Joseph Galvin, aged 27, was killed yesterday at Wakefield, by John Doherty, aged 21, in a drunken street fight. Boston, Dec. 26. - Early yesterday morning Antoine G. Huettle was shot and terribly mutilated by Joseph Q. Hegner, both young Germans. Hegner confesses committing the mur-

Manufactories.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 26. - Most of the cotton and wool factories are in full operation at reduced wages. The carpet manufactories. with very few exceptions, are all closed, owing principally to differences existing between the weavers and manufacturers caused by the latter making a reduction in the price of weaving of 2 cents per yard. The manufacturers, as a general thing, say that the price of carpets has been reduced so much, and sales are so low, that they are not very anxious to start up even if the men would agree to work at the proposed

A Bloody Fracas.

LANCASTER, N. H., Dec. 26.-A bloody fracas took place at Groveton Wednesday evening growing out of an attempt by Michael O'Leary and a Frenchman named Blackwell, (both were intoxicated) to enter a house of questionable repute owned by a Frenchman named Gouye. The result was the death of Gouye and his son, a young man, who was killed by the tan yard drain at the south end of Royal O'Leary with a club, and the mortal wounding of Blockwell with an axe by old Gouye, and a bad wound on O'Leary's head from a club used by the temale inmates of the house.

Buffalo Items.

BUFFALO, Dec. 26.—The second floor of a house of ill-fame in this city gave way last night, precipitating the inmates to the basement. A girl named Jennie Griffia was killed and several others injured.

A false alarm of fire last night caused a panie among a crowd of persons engaged in a dance at Keller's Hall, and in the rush to escape from the building, several persons jumped from the windows of the second story and were seriously injured.

Christmas. NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—Christmas was fully bserved here by all classes. Business was entirely suspended, and dispatches from all sections report more than the usual observance of the joyous season.

PHILADELPHIA, D.c. 26.—Christmas was generally observed and there was no diminution in the amount of money spent, notwithstanding the recent troubles.

Murder and Lynch Law.

DAYTON, OHIO, Dec. 26.-At a shooting match yesterday at Riga, a village near here, two brothers, John and Henry Stowe, quarrelled about loading a gun, and John called Henry a liar, when Henry drew a revolver and shot John, killing him instantly. The spectators being much excited eaught and hung Henry to the limb of a tree, and when he was taken down life was extinct. Too much whiskey caus-

Supersedeas

CHICAGO, Dec. 26,-Three judges of the Supreme Court of Illinois have united in granting a writ of supersedeas in the case of Chris Rabberty, who was to have been hanged at Wankegan under sentence, upon his third conviction, for the murder of policeman O'Meara in this

Token of Respect.

BALTIMORE, Dec. 26. -All the business

houses in the principal part of the city are

closed in respect to the memory of Johns Hopkins, whose funeral takes place to day. Strike. CINCINNATTI, Dec. 26.-It is understood

that the locomotive engineers on the Pan-Han-

Resumed. NEW YORK, Dec. 26. -Fisk & Hatch sent dec 2 Sa communication to the Stock Exchange to-day | dec 11

officially announcing that they had resumed business.

Death of a Paymaster.

CHICAGO, Dec. 26.—Major Edward Wright, late paymaster of the United States army, died here suddenly Wednesday night.

Financial.

NEW YORK, Dec. 26.-Loan certificates outstanding, \$2,390,000.

Weather Probabilities.

Washington, Dec. 26 11 a. m. The storm which is now central near Cape Hattras will move northeastward in the direction of the Gulf stream with brisk and high northeasterly to northwesterly winds, and rain or snow in the Middle Adantic and New England States. For the South Atlantic and Gulf States, increasing pressure with continued cold and clearing weather.

The Markets. NEW YORK December 26 -Stocks quiet.

Money 6a7. Gold 92. Flour quiet and steady. Wheat quiet and unchanged. Corn dull and unchanged. BALTIMORE December 26 -Virginia sixes, opsolidated, 497 bid to-day. Cotton quiet at 15 Flour quiet and stendy. Wheat dull and generally lower; white choice 185; fair to prime do.

175a180; choice amber 185; good to prime red 175a180; common to fair do 150a170; Pennsylvania do, 166a170; Ohio and Indiana do, 155a 160; amber Western 165a170. Corn—white Seu hern closed dull at 70a76; yellow Southern priva and attempts at 72a77; mixed Western netive and stronger at 72a77; mixed Western scarce and wanted; 78 bid. Oats quiet; Southern 51a53; Western mixed 50a52; do. white 58. Rye firm at 88.95. Hay unchanged.

HOLIDAY GOODS. FOR THE HOLIDAYS

CHINESE CUPS AND SAUCERS, VASES

PLATES, &c. JAPANESE FANCY BOXES, CURIOS, &c. FRENCH GLACE FRUITS, assorted. FRENCH CANNED VEGETABLES. PATE DE FOIE GRAS

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Canned Goods, Old Jamaica Rum, Fine N. E. do., Breakfast Hominy, Old Pelle, Fr. Brandy, Raisins, Currants, English Citron. Old Seignett do., English Citron, Double Grape Hol. Gin, Turkish Prunes, Casl Ila Scotch Whis-key, Sardines, half and quarkey,
Old Duff Gord, Sherry,
Topaz
Crown

Key,
Amer. & Eng. Pickles,
Potted Meats and
Crown

Keytracts,

Peach & Apple Brandy. Flavoring Extracts, Baker and other celebrated brands of Pure Old Rye Whiskey. Anderson's and Atmore's Mince Meat. George's Hams, Cheap Sugars, Fine Teas, &c. GEO. McBURNEY & SON,

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CRISTMAS TIMES.

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PECANS, P. P. S. ALMONDS, BORDEAUX do., IVICA do., TAMARINDS. DRUM FIGS,

MALAGA GRAPES, LAYER do., CONS'D. GINGER, PRES'D. GINGER, BRANDY PEACHES.

FILBERTS,

BRANDY CHERRIES, SARDINES, ENGLISH PICKLES, FRENCH PRESERVES, FRENCH MUSTARD, INDIA CHATNEY,

CURRANT PASTE, PISTARCHE do. EDAM CHEESE, CHEDDAR do., PINEAPPLE do., WORCESTERSHIRE SAUCE,

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